

State of Arizona Department of Education

Tom Horne Superintendent of Public Instruction

March 25, 2008

TO: Superintendents

ECBG Program Contacts

Financial Contacts

FROM: Amy Corriveau, Deputy Associate Superintendent

Early Childhood Education School Effectiveness Division

SUBJECT: ECGB Reallocation Cancelled

Early Childhood Block Grant Contacts:

Due to the State budget crisis which has been widely publicized throughout Arizona in recent months, Superintendent Horne has been asked to cut \$10,000,000 from state funds previously allocated to ADE for the current fiscal year. Based on this, effective today, the Early Childhood Education section is required to freeze immediately spending of **ALL** Early Childhood Block Grant reallocation funds. Payment of reallocation funds from ADE which would have been included in the April payment have been cancelled. Amendments that were approved for reallocation funds need to be revised by the LEA reducing the budget by the amount of the reallocation.

The action above applies only to ECBG funds at this time. We regret the challenges this presents for your ECBG programs and for your fiscal management. If you have questions regarding this memo, <u>you must contact our office by 4:00 PM on Thursday, March 27th, 2008.</u> Please contact Pat Immele at Pat.Immele@azed.gov.

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